



Vision Statement

DISTINCTIVE COMMUNITY CHARACTER

- Belmont prides itself on being unique
- Its small-town ambience sets it apart as a tranquil, safe, and desirable place to live.
- We get involved in town matters because we care about living here.
- We connect with each other in all kinds of gathering places.
- Our strong sense of community and enjoyment of the town's assets and activities deepen as we become better informed and connected.

NATURAL BEAUTY

- We choose to make our home among these beautiful hills, trees, parks, views, and open spaces.
- Our natural surroundings inspire us to play, create, and contemplate.
- Our actions today preserve and enhance Belmont's beauty to make it even lovelier for our grandchildren.
- Our wooded residential areas are diverse, peaceful and well maintained.

THRIVING CULTURE

- Belmont is a wonderfully safe and supportive place to raise a family.
- We facilitate lifelong learning in our academic, artistic, athletic, and social dimensions
- Our schools and library are the pride of the community.
- Our university is intrinsic to Belmont's social, artistic and economic life.
- Our playgrounds and athletic fields are of high quality and in high gear.
- The arts thrive in this creative, appreciative town – the arts hub of the Peninsula.
- Our history makes Belmont what it is, and we preserve that heritage for our children.

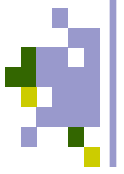
THRIVING ECONOMY

- A charming, vibrant town center is the heart of our civic and economic life.
- Our economy prospers with a mix of attractive, successful businesses that fit with our community character.
- We look first into our town shops and restaurants for what we need.
- Education, arts and the economy flourish in concert.

EASY MOBILITY

- We put a priority on getting out of, into, and through town efficiently.
- Bicyclists, walkers, and other nondrivers get where they're going easily and safely.
- We require safe residential streets and smooth-flowing thoroughfares.

2011/2012 PRIORITY CALENDAR



DISTINCTIVE COMMUNITY CHARACTER (From the Belmont Vision Statement)

2011/2012 ACTIVE PROJECTS:

♦ **PARKING IN FRONT YARDS/CIRCULAR DRIVEWAYS**

Study and propose revisions to the zoning regulations regarding parking in front yards and circular driveways (CD)

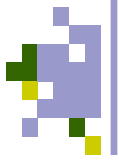
♦ **RESIDENTIAL DESIGN GUIDELINES**

Guidelines for new and remodeled residential projects, including hillside development issues. Hardscape & Lot Coverage Stds./ Landscape Requirements for Residential Development (CD)

BELOW-THE-LINE PROJECTS (Not Active for 2011/2012):

1. **RALSTON AVENUE STREET LIGHTING** - Develop program for review and replacement of street lighting standards (Poles) (PW)
2. **REFINEMENT OF SAN JUAN HILLS AND WESTERN HILLS AREA FLOOR TRANSFER POLICIES** - Study and propose revisions to the zoning regulations regarding floor area transfer policies within these areas of the city (CD)
3. **UTILITY STRUCTURES IN PUBLIC/PRIVATE ROW'S** - Establish a Policy on Architectural Design/Enhancements for Utility Structures (CD)
4. **ZONING ORDINANCE PROJECTS**
 - **ADMINISTRATIVE CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS**
Incorporation/Confirmation/Modification of 10% of business site area landscape requirement (CD)
 - **CUT/FILL STANDARDS**
Study and propose revisions to the zoning regulations regarding cut/fill standards (CD)
 - **GARAGE PARKING STANDARDS/REQS & SECOND UNIT PARKING**
Study and propose revisions to the zoning regulations regarding garage and secondary unit parking (CD)
 - **REVISION OF ZONING ORDINANCE DEFINITIONS**
Update and expand Definitions Section of Ordinance; Redefine Building Height Options; Revise Slope Calculations for Residential Property Development; and Establish Lot Coverage/Hardscape Limit/Permeable Driveway Surface Regulations (CD)

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NATURAL BEAUTY (From the Belmont Vision Statement)

2011/2012 ACTIVE PROJECTS:

♦ **SAN JUAN HILLS PROPERTY**

Study and facilitate a master plan for resubdivision of City-owned San Juan Hills Area lands, trail connections, and permanent open space areas (CD)

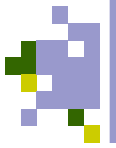
♦ **TREE ORDINANCE**

Revise tree ordinance, and consider establishing tree regulations in Zoning Ordinance (CD)

BELOW-THE-LINE PROJECTS (Not Active for 2011/2012):

1. **NON-PROFIT BELMONT PARKS FOUNDATION** - Create a non-profit Belmont Parks Foundation to fundraise and advocate for Parks improvements (P&R)
2. **RALSTON & ADLP "SCENIC CORRIDORS"** - Assess opportunity to improve Ralston Ave & Alameda de las Pulgas with landscape/aesthetic improvements (CD)
3. **PARK OPEN SPACE MASTER PLAN UPDATE** - Would include updating the inventory of the parks system, analysis of current demands/trends, identifying completed projects and updating of the action plan (P&R)
4. **SAN JUAN CANYON OPEN SPACE PLANNING** - This project calls for planning the future use of the San Juan Canyon (P&R)

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THRIVING CULTURE (From the Belmont Vision Statement)

2011/2012 ACTIVE PROJECTS:

♦ **ATHLETIC FIELD IMPROVEMENTS**

Sports Complex Synthetic Turf - Capital projects described in Athletic Field Master Plan updated in 2003. Plan identifies athletic field improvements to all fields managed by the P&R Dept (P&R)

♦ **CIPRIANI DOG PARK IMPROVEMENTS**

Design and construct improvements for the Dog Park (P&R)

♦ **DAVEY GLEN PARK DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT**

Design & development of unimproved park site on Davey Glen Road. (P&R)

♦ **ORDINANCE REGULATING LARGE FAMILY DAYCARE REGULATIONS**

Study and propose zoning regulations establishing Large Family Day Care standards for Residential Zoning Districts (CD)

♦ **SOLAR ENERGY POLICY**

Consider implementation of solar energy projects and legislation that enhances solar energy use on public facilities (P&R)

♦ **SUSTAINABILITY OBJECTIVES**

Study & propose Sustainability Objectives for the Updated Conservation Element of General Plan

- CONSTRUCTION DEMOLITION/RECYCLING

Study & propose regulations regarding establishing a Construction Debris/Recycling Ordinance (CD)

- CREEK RESTORATION

Develop program for restoration of city creeks (PW)

- OUTDOOR WATER USE EFFICIENCY

Study and propose regulations regarding Outdoor Water Conservation & On-Site Retention (CD)

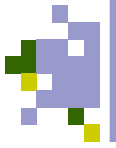
- PROHIBITION OF DISTRIBUTION OF PLASTIC AND SINGLE-USE BAGS

Study & propose regulations regarding establishing a Plastic & Single-Use Paper Bag Ban Ordinance (CA)

BELOW-THE-LINE PROJECTS (Not Active for 2011/2012):

1. **COMMUNITY ARTWAY - Landmark Signage and Landscaping Project - City Edges -**
Installation of Monument signing and landscaping at the entrance to the City on eastbound Ralston east of Christian Dr and on northbound Alameda north of Cranfield Ave (FN)
2. **HISTORIC PRESERVATION -** Revise Structures of Historic or Aesthetic Value section and update historic resources inventory (CD)

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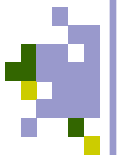
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- ♦ **BELMONT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT SERVICE PROVISION**
Provide Fire Services for the BFPD. Analyze and recommend solutions for ongoing operations and capital needs. Manage dissolution of Belmont-San Carlos Fire Department and creation of new Department (FN)
- ♦ **FACILITIES CONDITION MANAGEMENT ASSESSMENT**
Track assets and analyze Belmont's facilities in a comprehensive, organized, and logical manner. Factors can then be used to prioritize the use of resources (P&R)
- ♦ **GENERAL PLAN UPDATE**
An extensive, three-year project, that will start with a community visioning process before undertaking a review and update of the General Plan (CD)
- ♦ **GENERAL PLAN UPDATE: Belmont "Villages" Zoning**
Project will focus on Economic Development strategy target sites, Downtown and El Camino Real corridor (CD)
- ♦ **SEWER LATERALS**
Develop & adopt policy/ordinance for maintenance and/or replacement of private sewer laterals (PW)
- ♦ **TARGETED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT**
Identify and implement targeted economic development projects within the City (FN)

BELOW-THE-LINE PROJECTS (Not Active for 2011/2012):

1. **HARBOR INDUSTRIAL AREA ANNEXATION** - Work with Council and HIA to develop annexation proposal & submit LAFCO annexation application (CD)
2. **MODIFICATION OF WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS FACILITY FINDINGS** - Study and propose revisions to the zoning regulations regarding wireless communications facilities (CD)
3. **SOLAR ACCESS ORDINANCE** - Propose revisions to the zoning regulations regarding solar access (CD)
4. **STORM & SURFACE WATER DRAINAGE UTILITY REGULATIONS** - Study and propose regulations regarding Storm and Surface Water Drainage (PW)

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EASY MOBILITY (From the Belmont Vision Statement)

2011/2012 ACTIVE PROJECTS:

- ♦ **101 BIKE PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE**
Construct Bicycle/Pedestrian Bridge over 101; includes Safe Routes to Schools (PW)
- ♦ **HIGH SPEED RAIL (HSR)**
Represent City of Belmont throughout all phases of review, planning and evaluation of economic impact of HSR project (PW)
- ♦ **OLD COUNTY ROAD STREET LIGHTING**
Develop program for review and replacement of street lighting standards (PW)

BELOW-THE-LINE PROJECTS (Not Active for 2011/2012):

1. **PAPER TRAILS** - Identify paper streets and trails and determine which ones could be developed into a public trail system (P&R)
2. **SHARE THE ROADS POLICY** - Ralston to Alameda - Do a traffic study (wider sidewalks and roadway signage) (PW)
3. **UPDATED RALSTON TRAFFIC STUDY** - Conduct a comprehensive traffic study and determine appropriate capital improvements to mitigate any traffic related problems (PW)

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These projects were considered but not included in the Citywide Priorities.
(Departments may pursue these projects if resources permit)

◆ **BOCCE BALL COURT IN TWIN PINES PARK**

Construct a bocce ball court and associated amenities in Twin Pines Park with a focus on creating active recreational opportunities for the senior population (P&R)

◆ **CITY HOLIDAY TREE—ADDRESS ISSUES**

This project calls for determining the fate of the City Holiday Tree in Twin Pines Park. (P&R)

◆ **COMPILATION OF FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL PREEMPTIONS**

Prepare a report which documents all Federal, State & Local Preemptions on Zoning regulations (CD)

◆ **ESTABLISHMENT OF LIMITED HOURS FOR DOGS OFF-LEASH AT BARRETT**

Consider allowing off leash dog use at the Barrett Community Center (P&R)

◆ **EVALUATE EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION MODEL**

Review Revenue/Expense Projections for the next 7 years under various what-if scenarios to determine if a deficit exists. If yes, perform an analysis of compensation spending including retirement benefit alternatives (FN)

◆ **EXPANSION OF FINANCE COMMISSION CHARTER**

Amend Finance Commission Charter to provide for expanded duties (FN)

◆ **PARK PROPERTY ACQUISITION / DEVELOPMENT**

Along ECR - an effort towards greening commercial areas in Belmont (CD)

◆ **PLANNING CALTRAIN STATION / "GRAND BLVD"**

Plan for improvements to CalTrain station and El Camino Real in support of "Grand Boulevard" objectives (CD)

◆ **PLAYGROUND IMPROVEMENTS-O'Donnell Park, Barrett CC**

This project involves playground improvements to O'Donnell Park and at the Barrett Community Center (P&R)

◆ **REPLACE BATHROOM at ALEXANDER PARK**

Project includes replacing the existing bathroom with a modern pre-fabricated restroom. (P&R)

◆ **REVIEW ALL TRAFFIC POLICIES**

Review all City's traffic related policies to determine consistency with best practices (PW)

◆ **TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS**

Review trail system, repair/improve existing trails, add new trails (P&R)

◆ **TREE PLANTING PROGRAM**

Establish program for planting trees on City property and/or public right-of-way (P&R)